39.	-do-	Hazaribagh
40.	-do-	Nowgong
41.	-do-	Hissar
42.	-do-	Kulu
43.	-do-	Poonch
44.	-do-	Faizabad
45.	-do-	Breilly
46.	-do-	Jhansi
47.	-do-	Kurukshetra
48.	-do-	Daltonganj
49	KW FM Transmitter	Daltonganj

Problem of groundnut cultivation in Andhra Pradesh

1854. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Technology Mission on >il seeds is aware of the crisis, the. groundnut farmers are facing in Rayalsee-na area of Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, what are the steps proposed o be taken to rescue them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE)EPARTMENT OF. AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EDUCATION IN HE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE >HRI HARI KRISHNA SHAS-RI): (a) The Technology Mission on ilseeds has not been informed of any isis being faced by groundnut farmers in '.ayalsccma arct ol Andhra Pradesh, lie groundnut crop in Rabi *I* Summer in jyalscema area is reported to be good id Healthy.

As per the information available, ices of groundnut are currently ruling ove support price at different centres in idhra Pradesh.

b) Does not arise.

Supportive price for groundnut

18*5. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the prevailing supportive price fixed for groundnuts;

(b) whether there is any proposal under consideration for enhancing this supportive price; and

(c) if so, the. details-thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE-MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION. IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) Government of India has fixed the minimum support price for groundnut-in-she!l (fair average quality) of 1988-89 season at Rs. 430 per quintal.

(b) and (d) The Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices has submitted its Report on Price Policy for Kharif Crops inclcuding groundnut, of 1989-90 season. The Report is under consideration.

Crisis faced by cotton growers in Andhra Pradesh

1856. .DR. NARREDDY. THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a), whether Government's attention has_been drawn to the crisis faced by the Cotton growers in Andhra Pradesh and the inefficiency of the Cotton Corporation of India in purchasing the Cotton; and

(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to rescue the Cotton growers in Andhra Pradesh?<

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN-THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE. AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) Government is aware of the crisis faced by Cotton growers in Andhra Pradesh which was mainly due to the incidence of pests in certain pockets. The prices of cotton were 40 to 100% higher than minimum support prices and hence Cotton Corporation of India had no .occasion for undertaking price support operations.

(b) Necessary steps to import pesticides reported.to be e.ffective against pests have been taken. The Cotton Corporation of India has also been directed to.keep, constant watch on cotton prices and take, necessary steps to enter the market if situation warrants.

Inclusion of Andhra Pradesh under Special Rice Production Programme

1857. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration to include Andhra Pradesh under special Rice Production Programme (SRPP); and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if no.t, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV) (a) and (b) For increasing the production and productivity of rice in Andhra Pradesh a Special Foodgrains Production Programme Rice, is already under implementation in the State from 1988-89. The districts covered under the scheme includes. East Godavari, West Godavari, Chittoor, Nalgonda, Khammam, karimnagar, Nellore and Warrangal.

Digging of tubewells

1858. PRQE, C LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of tube wells dug during the years 1987-88 and 1988-89 in different parts of the country, year-wise and State-wise; and

(b) what percentage of targets of tube wells have been completed during the same period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF- AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE. (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) and (b) The Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Assistance to Small and Marginal Farmers for Increasing Agricultural Production has a component of Minor Irrigation works which *inter-alia* includes .dugwells, wells, shallow tubewells, filter point*, village ponds,, percolation ponds, surface storage structures etc. Therefore no specific targets are fixed for the construction *of* tubewells under the scheme. However, for Special Foodgrains Production Programme about 6 lakh shallow tubewells/ dugwells were proposed during 1988-89. A Statement indicating number of shallow tubwells/dugwells constructed in the selected States is given in Statement.